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I have checked and can't confirm that anyone from Region 9 said this. I was with the President on Sunday for a tour of the mine, and we spoke in general terms about mines and mine cleanups, that this mine had been draining into the watershed for decades, and that cleanups are long term. I never said anything about returning to normal lives on the river, since we don't know of any impacts to Navajo along the San Juan River (no data available). I don't know if he spoke to someone in Region 6 or 8 but apparently the only people who have spoken to the President are myself and Jared.

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Can you help with this one?

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FYI.

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Hello,

I am a reporter at TIME Magazine, and am working on a story about the waste water leakage in the Animas/San Juan rivers.

I spoke to Navajo Nation president Russell Begaye, and he said that EPA officials had told him in a meeting that the full clean up could take up to a "decade" before Navajo people could return to their normal lives on the river banks.

Just wanted to confirm if this is true. My deadline is 5 pm today evening.

Best,

Aditya